DAGGER'S RAGE

INSTALLATION AND TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

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HOW TO OPTIMIZE YOUR SYSTEM

- 256 colour mode

For an 8MB system, Dagger's Rage is really a memory hungry program, so unloading all the unnecessary drivers will improve the speed of your system.

- Small disk cache i.e. smartdrv 1024 64
- Turn off 32 bit file access in Windows For Workgroups
- Don't use any Real Time Memory Compression Program (most of the files in memory are already compressed)
- Close unnecessary applications

Please take the time to read this guide before installing Dagger's Rage. It contains information not included in the manual.

Dagger's Rage Installation

1) Put the CD-ROM in your CD-ROM drive.
2) If you are not already in Windows then start Windows by typing WIN at a DOS prompt.*
3) Once Windows has started then double click on the group icon called MAIN.**
4) Select RUN under the FILE menu.
5) In the RUN dialog box, click on the BROWSE button.
6) In the BROWSE dialog box, select the letter corresponding to your CD-ROM drive in the DRIVES window by clicking on the down arrow and then clicking on the correct drive.
7) In the larger box on the left hand side of the BROWSE dialog box you should see a file called INSTALL.EXE
8) Click on that file so it is highlighted and then click on the OK button.
9) Following the instructions in the installation program and press the OK button.
10) After installation is finishes, you should restart your system
11) If you have a joystick and you have never calibrated it, go to the Control Panel and click on the joystick icon and calibrate your joystick.

** If you are using Windows 95, just reboot your computer with Windows 95*

*** For Windows 95 click on the TASK BAR Select RUN*

Important

- It is important that you read all on-screen instructions carefully.

- If this is the first time you have installed Dagger's Rage then make sure you install all options.

- It is very important that when Video for Windows finishes installing that you let it restart Windows. If you do not then Dagger's Rage will likely not function properly.

- If WinG or Video for Windows have been installed by another program it is a good idea to let the Dagger's Rage installation reinstall them anyway. If you already have a newer version on your system then the installation will not overwrite any files. If you have an older version then your files will be updated.*

* If you are using Windows 95 you do not require to install Video for Windows

Troubleshooting

1. Video playback is slow or choppy

- Make sure that Dagger's Rage is the only open application.
- Check your settings for Virtual Memory. You should have a permanent swapfile of at least 6 megabytes. 32-bit disk access should also be on if available. You can check these settings by clicking on the 386 Enhanced icon located in the Control Panel. Please consult your Windows manuals for more information.*
- Ensure that you have the most recent drivers for your CD-ROM drive. Consult your CD-ROM drive manual for more information.
- Make sure that your Turbo switch, if you have one, is set to "on".
- Your system may not meet the system requirements. Please see box for more information.
- Your video card may not be fast enough if it is Non-Local Bus.

2. You cannot see any videos files at all

- Make sure that you fully completed the installation procedure.
- Check the 'drivers' section in the Control Panel to see if there is an entry that says [MCI] Microsoft Video for Windows.
- Make sure you have the most recent drivers for your video card and that they are properly installed. Please consult your video card manuals for more information.
- Try re-installing Dagger's Rage

** For Windows 95 users this does not apply*

3. Video files appear shifted or oversized

- Check the video playback options for the [MCI] Microsoft Video for Windows driver. Click on the 'drivers' icon in the Control Panel. Select the [MCI] Microsoft Video for Windows driver from the list of currently installed drivers and then click on Setup. If the 'zoom by 2' option is selected then de-select that option.

4. Colors appear to be wrong, washed out or grainy

- The most common reason for this is that your video driver is set to only 16 colors. If this is the case you should change it to a driver of at least 256 colors. Consult your video card manual for more information.
- You may also need a more recent video driver. In this case contact the manufacturer of your video card to see if there is an update or known problem list.

5. You cannot hear any sound

- Check all cable connections to and from your sound card.
- Check the volume control of your speakers or amplifier.
- Ensure that your sound card's software and drivers have been installed properly.
- If you hear sound when you start or exit Windows then the sound in Dagger's Rage should work.
- Consult your sound card manuals for more information.

6. The sound seems fragmented or choppy

- Your CPU or CD-ROM drive may not be able to handle the sustained throughput required.

7. You receive system error messages or are dropped to a DOS prompt

- This is often a sign of a video driver problem. Contact your video card manufacturer to see if there is a newer driver or a

known bug list for your card. You can also try switching to a different resolution and/or color depth (e.g. 800 × 600 if your card supports these modes.

8. There doesn't seem to be any files on the CD-ROM or the drive has a hard time reading from the CD-ROM

- Check with the drive manufacturer to see if there are newer drivers for your CD-ROM drive.

- Look at your autoexec.bat file to see if there is mention of COREL-CDX.EXE. If there is then try changing that to MSCDEX.EXE and see if there is a change.

- Possible drive malfunction.

9. Joystick doesn't seem to be working

- Windows 3.1 doesn't come with a joystick driver. You should run the installation program and click on the check box for installing joystick driver. The installation program installs the driver for you.

- Go to Control Panel and click the joystick icon to calibrate your joystick.

10. Microforum Technical Support

- If you have any other probems call Microforum at 1-416-656-6406 or 1-800-465-2323 or by Email at www@microforum.com

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